

## ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

IMPOSITION OF FRONT FOOT BENEFIT ASSESSMENTS UNDER THE SANITARY COMMISSION ACT TO RECOVER THE COST TO THE COUNTY FOR CONSTRUCTING LATERAL WATER AND WASTEWATER LINES, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 15-410(F), IS HEREBY CONTINUED; PROVIDED, THAT THE NUMBER OF FRONT FEET OF EACH PARCEL OF LAND SO TO BE ASSESSED, SHALL BE DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 17-608(C). AT OR BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF EACH FISCAL YEAR, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS SHALL RECOMMEND FOR ADOPTION BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL THE BASIC RATES PER FRONT FOOT AT WHICH SUCH ASSESSMENTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF LATERAL WATER AND WASTEWATER LINES AND APPURTENANCES SHALL BE IMPOSED FOR THE ENSUING FISCAL YEAR, SUCH RECOMMENDATION TO BE BASED ON ANTICIPATED CONSTRUCTION COST FOR SUCH YEAR. IF SUCH RECOMMENDATION OR ANY MODIFICATION THEREOF SHALL BE ACCEPTED, THE COUNTY COUNCIL SHALL ADOPT AN APPROPRIATE ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SUCH RATES FOR SUCH YEAR BUT, IF IT SHALL NOT DO SO, THE BASIC RATES IN EFFECT FOR THE PRIOR YEAR SHALL CONTINUE.

(B) IF, WITH RESPECT TO ANY PROJECT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER OR WASTEWATER LINES, OR BOTH, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS SHALL FIND THAT THE BASIC ASSESSMENTS AFORESAID WILL NOT PRODUCE SUFFICIENT REVENUE TO RECOVER THE COST OF CONSTRUCTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUCH SECTION 15-410(F), HE SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO INCREASE THE BASIC RATE OF ASSESSMENT FOR WATER OR WASTEWATER LINES IN THE PROJECT AREA BY AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO RENDER THE IMPROVEMENT SELF-SUPPORTING, BUT IN NO EVENT SHALL SUCH INCREASE EXCEED ~~[[ FIFTY ]]~~ ONE HUNDRED PER CENT ~~[[ (50%) ]]~~ (100%) OF THE APPLICABLE BASIC ASSESSMENTS.

(C) BEFORE MAKING A FINAL DETERMINATION HEREUNDER, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS SHALL ACCORD AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS A RIGHT TO BE HEARD, BOTH AS TO RATES OF ASSESSMENTS AND THE NUMBER OF FRONT FEET OF EACH PARCEL OF LAND TO BE ASSESSED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURE PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 17-609, BUT SUCH HEARING MAY BE COMBINED WITH ANY ONE OF THE PUBLIC HEARINGS PROVIDED FOR IN SUBPARAGRAPHS (B) OR (D) OF SECTION 15-410. AUTHORITY IS HEREBY VESTED IN THE CONTROLLER TO INCREASE OR DECREASE THE SPECIAL FRONT FOOT BENEFIT ASSESSMENT OF ANY PARCEL OF PROPERTY IN A PROJECT AREA, IF THE USE THEREOF SHALL BE CHANGED FROM ONE OF THE USE CLASSIFICATIONS SET FORTH IN SECTION 17-608(C) TO ANOTHER, AND IN THE EVENT OF ANY INCREASE, THE CONTROLLER MAY APPORTION THE SAME AMONG THE REMAINING PARCELS OF PROPERTY IN